



**WESTFORD SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANT COMMITTEE
2016 SAG SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Dear Westford Resident,

The Westford Scholarship and Grant Committee (the Committee) has opened the 2016 **SAG Scholarship** application process. The Committee will award **one \$2,500 SAG Scholarship** to the applicant best demonstrating community involvement, civic contribution, and commitment to making Westford a better place to live. The applicant's character, scholastic performance, and financial need will also receive consideration in the award selection process. The SAG Scholarship is funded through voluntary donations by Westford residents.

The application is open to Westford residents of any age pursuing post-secondary education or professional training between July 2016 and June 2017.

Completed applications are due no later than **4:00 pm EDT on March 17, 2016**. While electronic submissions to sag@westfordma.gov are preferred, applicants may also submit at Town Hall (55 Main St., Westford, MA 01886) in a sealed envelope marked "Attn: SAG Committee." If submitting at Town Hall, please also send an email the same day to sag@westfordma.gov alerting the Committee to the submission. All applicants will receive notification that their application was received. All will also be informed of the Committee's award selection in a mailing to go out by May 20, 2016.

Please note the following mandatory conditions regarding SAG Scholarship applications:

- Applications received after the deadline will not be considered for award.
- The Committee may ask applicants and/or recommendation writers for additional information or clarification regarding material provided.
- The Committee's award decision is final, and the Committee has no obligation to provide additional justification.
- Before the Committee disburses the scholarship award, the awarded applicant must furnish proof enrollment, registration, or attendance in the post-secondary school or training program in the 2016-2017 academic year. The Committee has the right to request further verifying documentation before disbursement.

The Committee looks forward to receiving applications. Should you have questions about the application process, please email them (Subject: "Question Re.: SAG Scholarship") to sag@westfordma.gov no later than March 10, 2016.

Sincerely,

Jonathan S. Myerov
Chair, Westford Scholarship and Grant Committee.



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Deadline: March 17, 2016

The mission of the Town of Westford Scholarship and Grant (SAG) Committee is to provide educational financial aid to deserving Westford residents of any age and provide supplemental educational funding for local educational needs and for existing adult literacy programs.

TO THE APPLICANT

Please fill out this application to be considered for the SAG Scholarship. The recipient will be selected upon consideration of:

- Community involvement
- Character
- Scholastic performance
- Financial impact of award

PLEASE REMIT YOUR APPLICATION PACKAGE TO TOWN HALL – ATTN: SAG COMMITTEE

Checklist of application materials to include:

- ☐ Application form
- ☐ Personal essay
- ☐ Letter of recommendation (emailed privately to sag@westfordma.gov)
- ☐ Scholarship impact statement
- ☐ Most recent transcript

ATTESTATION/SIGNATURE

- ☐ I have completed all of the necessary requirements for the SAG committee.
- ☐ I verify the information submitted in this application is true to the best of my knowledge.
- ☐ I will present the SAG Chairperson with verification of acceptance into the post-secondary school or training program.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Parent Signature (if Applicant is less than 18 years old)

Date

APPLICANT DATA

Permanent address (Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Anticipated graduation date from post-secondary or training program _____

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT (Attach a paper with any additional activities, or attach current resume)

List all community activities in which you have volunteered during the past four years.

ACTIVITY	NUMBER OF YEARS	OFFICES HELD OR AWARDS

REQUIRED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

1. Please attach a personal essay. Include examples showing your character and ingenuity, and demonstrating your impact on the community and commitment to the Town of Westford. (500 words or less)
2. Include a letter of recommendation from a community member who can provide evidence of your commitment to the Town of Westford, citing specifics of your involvement in the community.
3. Include a Statement of Scholarship Impact on your education, including how the scholarship award will impact your ability to pursue post-secondary education or professional training. (250 words or less)
4. Students currently enrolled in secondary school, college, or vocational-technical school must include a recent transcript of grades.